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In re Application of

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IMAGE SIGNAL PROCESSING CIRCUIT: For:

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DECISION ON

PETITION

UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

This decision is in response to applicant's "Petition to Reset Time Period For Reply Due To Late Receipt of Office Action," filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on 09 August 2006. It has been treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181.

BACKGROUND

On 10 November 2003, applicant filed international application PCT/JP03/14256, claiming a priority date of 08 November 2002. A copy of the international application was communicated to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) from the International Bureau on 21 May 2004. The deadline for entry into the national stage in the United States was 08 May 2005.

On 05 May 2005, applicant filed a submission for entry into the national stage in the United States which was accompanied by, inter alia, the U.S. Basic National Fee. The transmittal letter indicated that correspondence should be directed to Customer No. 26021.

On 09 January 2006, the Office mailed a Notification of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) to Customer No. 26061.

On 09 August 2006, applicant submitted the instant petition to reset the time period for reply.

DISCUSSION

A review of the petition indicates that the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on 09 January 2006 was never received by applicant. A faxed copy of the Notification is being acted upon. As the Notification of Missing Requirements was mailed to an incorrect address, it is vacated.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, the petition under 37 CFR 1.181 is **GRANTED**.

The Notification of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) mailed on 09 January 2006 is **VACATED**.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Division of the Office of the PCT Operations for continued processing. The application has a date under 35 U.S.C. §371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) of 09 August 2006.

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